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REMARKS

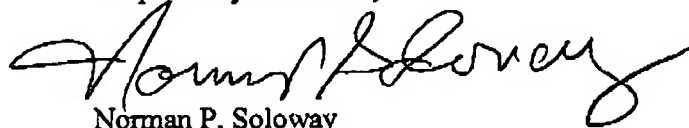
Claims 18 and 19 have been amended as suggested to address the Examiner's objections, and claims 28 and 30 have been amended to clarify the invention over the art. No new matter has been entered by any of the foregoing amendments.

Turning to the rejection of claims 28 and 29 under 35 USC §102 as anticipated by McNeill et al. and claims 30 and 31 as obvious over McNeill et al., claims 28 and 30 have been amended to specify that the output of the second OTA is directly connected to an input terminal of the second OTA. McNeill et al. does not teach or suggest this feature. Nowhere does McNeill et al. teach an OTA that has an output terminal directly connected to one of its input terminals (FIG. 1). Thus, McNeill et al. cannot anticipate claims 28 and 29 nor render obvious claims 30 and 31.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action are respectfully requested.

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